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Update on Nevada Tribal Activities

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Purpose and Scope

- **To conduct ongoing interactions with tribes and organizations having cultural and historic ties to the Yucca Mountain area and to initiate programmatic outreach efforts with tribes whose reservation lands are in close proximity to proposed transportation corridors in Nevada**



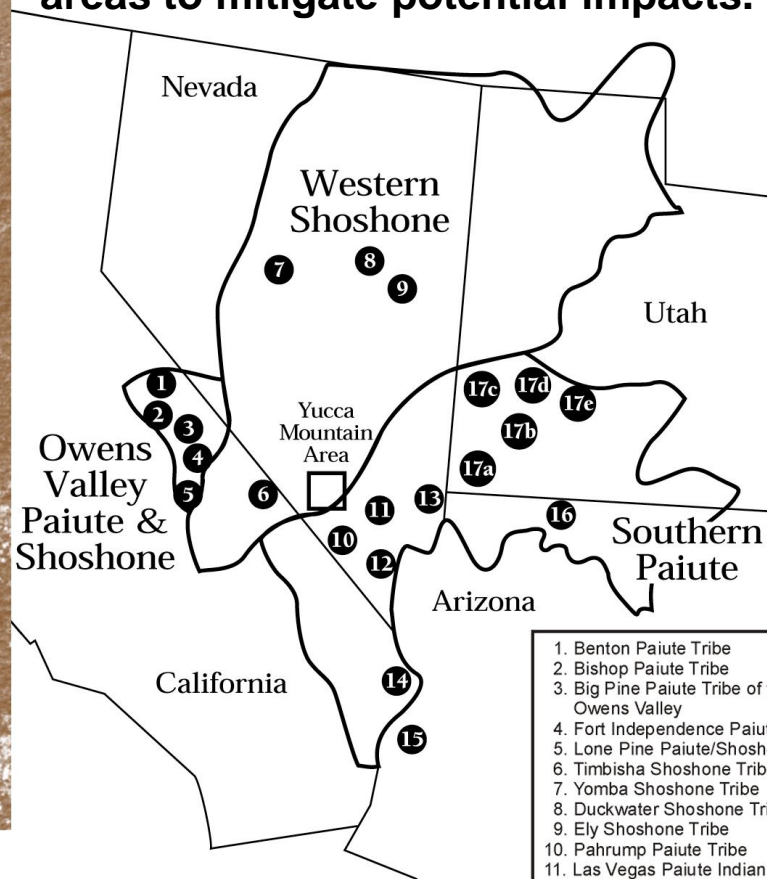
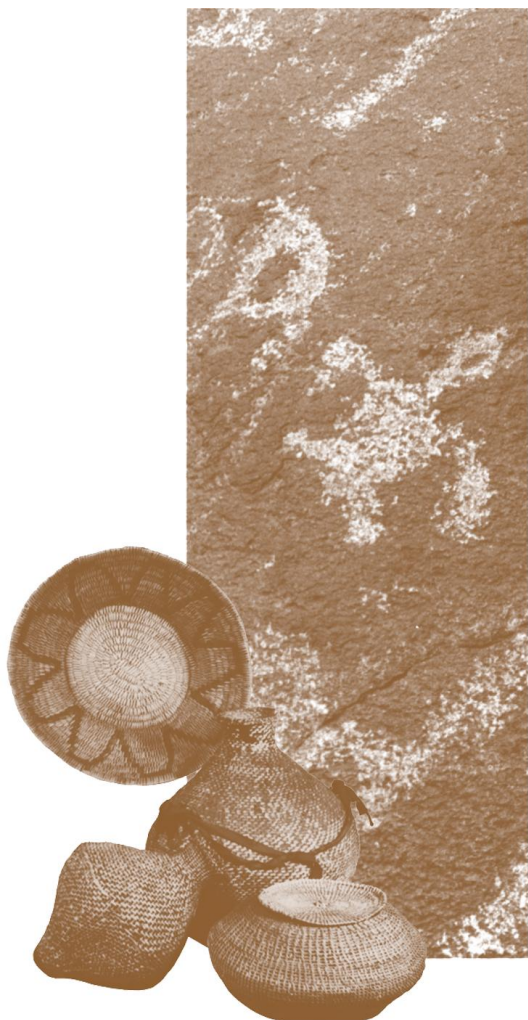
YMP Native American Interaction Program

- **Initiated in 1987 through ethnographic research to identify tribes with cultural ties to the Yucca Mountain area**
- **17 tribes and organizations – Consolidated Group of Tribes and Organizations (CGTO)**
- **Three ethnic groups represented from Nevada, California, Arizona, and Utah**
 - **Southern Paiute**
 - **Western Shoshone**
 - **Owens Valley Paiute and Shoshone**



Cultural Resources/Archaeology

- The Yucca Mountain Project Cultural Resources Program focuses on Native American interactions and archaeology. Involving Native Americans, the Project identifies significant cultural and historic areas to mitigate potential impacts.



- Archaeology studies focus on physical evidence of past human presence in the Yucca Mountain region, showing, among other things, the various ways people adapted to the arid environment during the past 12,000 years.

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| 1. Benton Paiute Tribe | 12. Las Vegas Indian Center |
| 2. Bishop Paiute Tribe | 13. Moapa Paiute Tribe |
| 3. Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley | 14. Chemehuev Tribe |
| 4. Fort Independence Paiute Tribe | 15. Colorado River Indian Tribes |
| 5. Lone Pine Paiute/Shoshone Tribe | 16. Kaibab Paiute Tribe |
| 6. Timbisha Shoshone Tribe | 17. Paiute Indian Tribes of Utah |
| 7. Yomba Shoshone Tribe | 17a. Shivwits Paiute Tribe |
| 8. Duckwater Shoshone Tribe | 17b. Cedar City Paiute Tribe |
| 9. Ely Shoshone Tribe | 17c. Indian Peaks Paiute Tribe |
| 10. Pahrump Paiute Tribe | 17d. Kanosh Paiute Tribe |
| 11. Las Vegas Paiute Indian Colony | 17e. Koosharem Paiute Tribe |

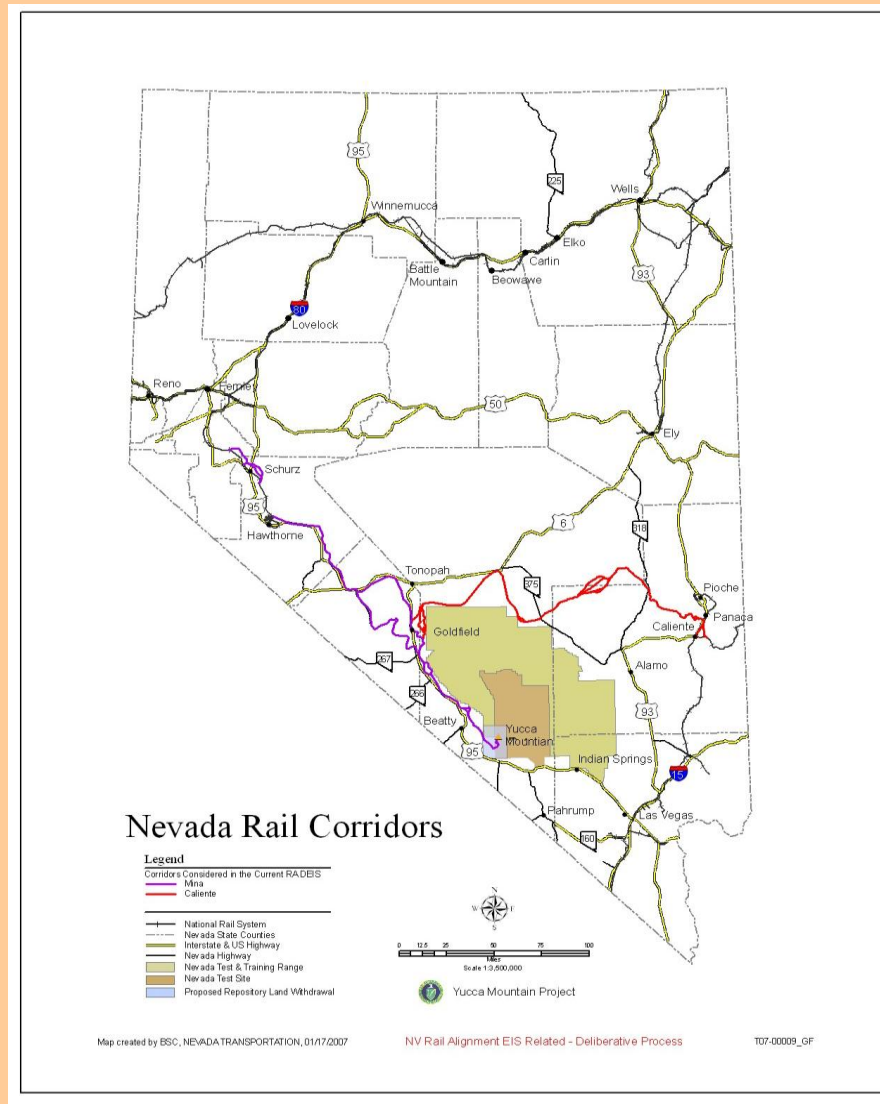


YMP Program Accomplishments

- **Official Tribal Contact Representatives (OTCRs)**
 - Tribal Update Meetings
 - Site visits and fieldtrips
 - Special subgroup projects
 - Native American monitors
 - Document preparation
 - Protective measures adopted



Caliente and Mina Routes



NV Transportation Program (Caliente Corridor)

- **EIS participation**
 - Special hearings and scoping meetings
 - Visits to tribal locations
- **American Indian Writers Subgroup (AIWS)**
 - Representation from CGTO ethnic groups
 - Fieldtrips along the Caliente Corridor
 - Preparation of EIS reference document



NV Transportation Program (Mina Corridor)

- **EIS participation**
 - Special scoping meetings
 - Visits to tribal locations
- **American Indian Writers Subgroup (planned)**
 - Incorporate Northern Paiute representation
 - Fieldtrips along the Mina Corridor
 - Preparation of EIS reference document



Additional Outreach in Nevada

- **Separate from cultural data gathering associated with NAIP and NV Transportation effort**
- **National transportation proximity criteria**
- **Caliente Corridor**
 - **Timbisha Shoshone Tribe**
 - **Las Vegas Paiute Tribe**
 - **Moapa Paiute Tribe**



Additional Outreach in Nevada

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- **Mina Corridor**
 - **Te-Moak Shoshone Tribe (Wells Band
Elko Band, Battle Mountain Band)**
 - **Timbisha Shoshone Tribe**
 - **Winnemucca Paiute Colony**
 - **Lovelock Paiute Colony**
 - **Walker River Paiute Tribe**
 - **Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe**
 - **Reno-Sparks Indian Colony**

